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National Policy on Safety
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a)the salient features and objectives of the National Policy on Safety, Health and Environment at Work Place;
(b)the funds allocated, released and utilised under the said policy during each of the last three years; and
(c)the other initiatives taken/being taken by the Government for developing national preventive safety and health culture in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a): The salient features of the National Policy on Safety, Health and Environment at Workplace are as below:
(i) It recognizes safe and healthy working environment as a fundamental human right.
(ii) It aims at enhancing the well-being of the employees and the society at large by eliminating work related injuries, diseases, etc.
(iii) It enumerates the goals to be achieved and brings into focus the objective of continuous reduction in the incidence of work related injuries and diseases.

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The policy seeks to bring the national objectives into focus as a step towards improvement in safety, health and environment at workplace. The objectives are to achieve:-
Continuous reduction in the incidence of work related injuries, fatalities, diseases, disasters and loss of national assets. Improved coverage of work related injuries, fatalities and diseases and provide for a more comprehensive data base for facilitating better performance and monitoring. Continuous enhancement of community awareness regarding safety, health and environment at workplace related areas. Continually increasing community expectation of workplace health and safety standards. Improving safety, health and environment at workplace by creation of "green jobs" contributing to sustainable enterprise development.
(b): No specific funds have been allocated by Ministry of Labour & Employment under the said policy.
(c): For developing a national preventive safety and health culture in the country, awareness generation campaign, publishing of posters on the various aspects of Safety and health at work place have been organized. Various national seminars/ workshops have also been organized to generate awareness among various stakeholders to improve safety, health and environment of workplace from time to time.

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